PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED LICENSE RENEWAL AND PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULE

SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL

The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) invites your participation in a proposed license renewal decision. DHEC is proposing the issuance of an amendment for license renewal on the continuing operation of the low-level radioactive waste disposal facility in Barnwell County, South Carolina to Chem-Nuclear Systems, LLC, Barnwell Waste Management Facility located at 740 Osborn Road, Barnwell, SC 29812. As part of this proposal, DHEC has prepared a draft Radioactive Material License 097, Amendment 49 under the South Carolina Radioactive Material Regulation 61-63 (Title A).

The State draft radioactive material license amendment contains conditions for the operation, monitoring and closure of the disposal facility. DHEC has made a preliminary determination that the proposed radioactive material license amendment will comply with applicable State and Federal regulations.

Copies of the draft radioactive material license amendment, draft technical evaluation report, and environmental radiological performance verification of the disposal facility are available for review during regular business hours, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except legal holidays at the following locations:

The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control Bureau of Land and Waste Management Stern Business Building 8911 Farrow Road Columbia, South Carolina 29203 Phone: (803) 896-4000

The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control Simms Building
Freedom of Information Office
2600 Bull Street
Columbia, SC 29201
Phone: (803) 898-3882

Edisto/Savannah District Office 206 Beaufort St. Aiken SC 29801 Phone: (803) 641-7670

Barnwell County Public Library 617 Hagood Ave. Barnwell, SC 29812 Phone: (803) 259-3612

Any comments on the State draft permit and permit application and/or a request for a public hearing should be sent to:

Henry J. Porter, Assistant Director Division of Waste Management Bureau of Land and Waste Management 2600 Bull Street Columbia, South Carolina 29201

To be considered, all requests and/or comments must be received in writing no later than December 31, 2003, at which time the forty-five (45) day public comment period will end.

A joint public hearing for the draft license is scheduled for December 11, 2003, at 7:00 p.m. The hearing will be held at the Peeples Auditorium, Simms Building, SC DHEC, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, South Carolina. Any interested persons may participate in the public hearing by giving oral or written statements. Oral statements presented at the hearing should be limited to five (5) minutes. Written submission of the oral statement is required to be placed in the hearing record.

Any individuals with disabilities or special needs who wish to participate in these proceedings or review these filings should contact Henry Porter at (803) 896-4240 at least one week in advance to discuss any special aids or services required.

Requests to be placed on a mailing list for notification of future public notices or public meetings by the Division of Waste Management should be made in writing to the attention of Ms. Marilyn McMillan at the above-given Bureau of Land and Waste Management address, or by e-mail at: mcmillmm@dhec.sc.gov.